

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Allegation of corruption against Sri Gugulothu Bhukya S/o Haraja, aged 43 years, Village Revenue Officer, Danthelabora Village, Palwancha Mandal, Khammam District – Trapped on 15-2-2008 – Sanction of Prosecution - Orders – Issued.

REVENUE(VIG.VII) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 1058

Dt:26-08-2008

ORDER

1. Whereas, Sri Gugulothu Bhukya S/o Haraja worked as Village Revenue Officer of Danthelabora village, Palwancha Mandal of Khammam District from 8-2-2007 to 15-2-2008 and as such he is a Public servant within the meaning of clause (c) of section 2 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988(Central Act 49 of 1988)

2. Whereas, Sri Mandapati Vijayavarma S/o Ramachandra Raju, age:40 years, Occupation:Agriculture, R/o Danthelabora(V), Palwancha mandal, Khammam district attended the office of the Inspector of Police, Anti Corruption Bureau, Khammam on 13-2-2008 at 10.30. a.m. and lodged a complaint stating the he owns and possess of Acres 1.20 guntas land in Sy.No.23 and his mother Smt Mandapati Bhaskaramma owns 5 Acres of land in Sy.No.264,265 of Dhanthelabora Village. At about four years back he raised Eucalyptus plantation in the said land. In the month of January, 2008 he intended to sell the said Eucalyptus plantation and approached the officials of Roopa Enterprises, Laxmipuram Village, Bhurgampadu Mandal, who instructed him to transport the wood to Laxmipuram village and handed over to him permit forms. On 28-1-2008 he along with his friend Sri Rayani Srinivasa Rao went to the office of Tahsildar, Palwancha, met Sri Gugulothu Bhukya @ Guguloth Bhikkulal Naik, Village Revenue Officer of Danthelabora village and requested him for issue of Permission Certificates in order to prevent Forest and Transport Departments from being intercepted during the transportation and also submitted a petition along with Eighty permission Certificates duly filled by them. Sri Gugulothu Bhukya @Guguloth Bhikkulal Naik demanded to pay him an amount of Rs.8000/- towards bribe for issuance of Eighty Permission Certificates at the rate of Rs.100/- each. He expressed his inability to pay such a huge amount, but Sri Gugulothu Bhukya did not lead to the request. As such they returned back. Later on 6-2-2008 again he along with Sri Rayani Srinivasa Rao approached Sri Gugulothu Bhukya @ Guguloth Bhikkulala Naik, Village Revenue Officer at the office of Tahisildar, Palwancha and requested for the issue of permits. Sri Gugulothu Bhukya @Guguloth Bhikkulal Naik reiterated his earlier demand of bribe Rs.8000/-. On the persistent requests made by Sri Mandapti Vijayvarma, Sri Gugulothu Bhukya @Guguloth Bhikkulal Naik reduced the bribe amount and demanded him to pay at least Rs.6000/- as bribe or else his work will not be done. As there is no other go except to concede to pay Rs.6000/- as bribe in a day or two. Further Sri Gugulothu Bhukya @Guguloth Bhikkulal Naik instructed him to come to his house situated at Palwancha before 9 a.m. on any day. He is not willing to pay bribe to Sri Gugulothu Bhukya @Guguloth Bhikkulal Naik, Village Revenue Officer and apprehended that his work will not be done without payment of bribe to Sri Gugulothu Bhukya @Guguloth Bhikkulal Naik, Village

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Revenue Officer, as such he requested the Inspector of Police, Anti Corruption Bureau, Khammam for taking necessary legal action against Sri Gugulothu Bhukya @Guguloth Bhikkulal Naik, Village Revenue Officer. After due verification a case in Crime No.3/ACB-WKH/2008 under section 7 of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Central Act 49 of 1988) was registered and investigated into.

3. And whereas on 15-2-2008 at 8.30 a.m. Sri Gugulothu Bhukya @Guguloth Bhikkulal Naik, Village Revenue Officer, Danthelabora village, Palwancha Mandal, Khammam district was trapped at his residential house bearing No.11-1-184, Srinagar Colony, New Palwancha of Khammam District in the presence of mediator when Sri Gugulothu Bhukya @Guguloth Bhikkulal Naik, Village Revenue Officer, Danthelabora village, Palwancha Mandal, Khammam district demanded and accepted bribe amount of Rs.6000/- from Sri Mandapati Vijayavarma. The both hand fingers and inner flap of left shirt outside pocket of Sri Gugulothu Bhukya @Guguloth Bhikkulal Naik, Village Revenue Officer, Danthelabora village proved positive when subjected to Phenolphthalein test and the tainted amount of Rs.6000/- was recovered from his possession at his instance.

4. And whereas, the above acts of the said Sri Gugulothu Bhukya @Guguloth Bhikkulal Naik, Village Revenue Officer constitute an offence punishable under section 7 and sub-section (2) of section 13 read with Clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 13 of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988(Central Act 49 of 1988)

5. And whereas the Government of Andhra Pradesh, being the competent authority to remove the said Sri Gugulothu Bhukya @Guguloth Bhikkulal Naik, Village Revenue Officer, Danthelabora village, Palwancha Mandal, Khammam district from the service after fully and carefully examining the material placed before them in respect of the said allegation and having regard to the circumstances of the case considered that the said Sri Gugulothu Bhukya @Guguloth Bhikkulal Naik, Village Revenue Officer, Danthelabora village should be prosecuted in a Court of Law.

6. Now, therefore in exercise of powers conferred by Clause (b) sub-section (1) of section 19 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988(Central Act 49 of 1988), the Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby accord sanction for the prosecution of the said Sri Gugulothu Bhukya @Guguloth Bhikkulal Naik, Village Revenue Officer, Danthelabora village for the aforesaid offences punishable u/s7 and sub-section (2) of section 13 read with Clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 13 of the prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Central Act 49 of 1988) and for any other cognate offences punishable under the other provisions of Law and for taking cognizance of the aforesaid offences by a Court of competent jurisdiction.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G.SUDHIR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director General
Anti Corruption Bureau
Hyderabad